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| Notice of Not Fully Responsive Reply for Applications Under Accelerated Examination | Application No. 10/618,962 | Applicant(s) ATSMON ET AL. | |
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This application has been granted special status under the accelerated examination program.

The reply filed 20 December 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior **non-final Office action** because of the following reason(s):

1. ☐ The reply includes an amendment that attempts to add claims which would result in more than three (3) independent claims, or more than twenty (20) total claims.
2. ☐ The reply includes an amendment that attempts to present claims not encompassed by the preexamination search.
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4. ☐ The reply includes an amendment that attempts to present claims that are directed to a nonelected invention or an invention other than previously claimed in the application.
5. ☐ The reply includes arguments or other items that are not limited to the rejections, objections, and requirements made, such as _____ on page _____ of the reply.

6. ☒ Other (including any explanation in support of the above items): Applicant is advised that the reply filed 12/20/06 to this requirement to be complete must include (i) an election of a species or invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143) and (ii) identification of the claims encompassing the elected invention.
The election of an invention or species may be made with or without traverse. To reserve a right to petition, the election must be made with traverse. If the reply does not distinctly and specifically point out supposed errors in the restriction requirement, the election shall be treated as an election without traverse.
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The reply has not been entered. Since the above-identified reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is give a time period of **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid **ABANDONMENT**. **NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME** under 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be permitted.



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